AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 12, lin3 26 (paragraph 0059 of the publication) as follows:

- - As can be seen in figures 1D and 1E the distal end of the second inner tube 8 is provided with <u>a tip 13 having</u> two opposite slits 13a,b, forming passages from the inside to the outside. - -

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 14, line 15 (paragraph 0068 of the publication) as follows:

- - Prior to placing the Trocars 20-24 a small incision is made at the location of (later on) wanted location of Trocar 23 and an insufflation needle 30, provided with a distal end 31 is inserted (direction F) through the abdominal wall into the abdominal cavity, after which carbon dioxide is introduced into the abdominal cavity (FIG. 3A) via the tube 30. As a result the volume of the abdominal cavity B is enlarged, due to which room is provided for engaging and moving the <u>vagina V and the</u> intestines <u>I</u> during the subsequent actions and surgery. - -

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 18, line 14 (paragraph 0087 of the publication) as follows:

- - When based on movement of the grade marks [[160]] <u>60</u> it is ascertained that the inner tube 107 has moved a distance in distal direction in the tube 102, which distance corresponds to the length of the screw thread 116, the surgeon will stop rotating the

T-transverse piece 111. Subsequently he will first retract the inner tube 107 a few centimetres in order to release the bone screw 115 from the distal end 108. Subsequently the assembly 101 is retracted from the abdominal cavity B, wherein the threads 118a,b that are connected to the bone screw 115, particularly its pin 117, slide through the passages 112, 112a and exit from the distal end 108 of the inner tube 107 (FIG. 6A). The threads 118a,b are then cut off at approximately 10 cm from the bone screw 115. - -

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 18, line 16 (paragraph 0089 of the publication) as follows:

- This released portion of the threads 118a,b can then be engaged by means of tools from the other Trocars. The threads 118a,b are passed through the mat near the free opposite mat edge and subsequently the mat 50 is placed at the lowest point of the abdominal cavity B (the cavum Douglasi). The threads 118a,b passed through the mat 50 are drawn tighter as a result of which the mat edge 50a is pulled towards the bone screw (FIG. 6B). Subsequently the threads 118a,b are tied, and the situation as shown in FIG. 4C is achieved. - -